

whereas, We learn with regret of the death of our venerable and highly esteemed fellow citizen, Mr. Peter Cooper, the day before last, his loving wife, his aged and honorable life devoted to private charity and the public good.

Resolved, That in respect to the memory of this distinguished Philanthropist the rule established by this assembly fixing a season for Wednesday afternoons be extended so far as it relates to this day.

A TRIBUTE TO THE DEAD PHILANTHROPIST.

To the Editor of the Tribune.

SIR: Would it not be a fitting tribute to the venerable philanthropist, who lived for the welfare of the whole city, that all business men of every class and condition should observe the day of his funeral by closing the store and the workshop? Let the clerk, the artisan and the laborer all be enabled to show their respect and their sympathy for the noble man.

Yours truly,
J. A. MANNING.

New York, April 4, 1853.

METHODIST CONFERENCES.

The New-York East Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, began its session yesterday morning at the Cornell Monument at Church in Seventy-sixth-st., between Second and Third-aves. This conference includes the Methodist churches in Western Connecticut, Long Island, and those of the New-York east of Third-ave. The church was filled with delegates and spectators. Of 293 delegates, 159 answered to their names, among them the Rev. Dr. Samuel Curry, the Rev. David J. D. Peck, the Rev. Dr. M. M. Post, the Rev. Dr. W. W. Bowditch, the Rev. Dr. H. Boole, the Rev. Dr. B. Chapman, the Rev. J. E. Cookman, and the Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley. Bishop Doane, of the New York Conference, was also present. L. Harris occupied a seat beside Bishop Warren, of Georgia, the presiding officer. The presence of Mr. Hayes, wife of ex-President Hayes, was expected, as she was unable to be present.

Dr. Curry presented a resolution protesting against the introduction of sectarian religious services in public institutions. The Rev. Dr. Peck offered a resolution respecting any law that should favor Sunday traffic. Both resolutions were adopted. The Rev. Dr. Goodsell was re-elected secretary of the conference and the auditing committees were appointed for the year. Dr. M. M. Post was elected clerk. That was followed by a sharp discussion, that the names of all former members removed from the conference, otherwise than by death, should be dropped from the roll. The Rev. Dr. Thompson was transferred to the New-Jersey Conference. In the evening the Rev. Mr. Lansing preached a missionary sermon, that was followed by a collection to Bishop Warren in the chapel adjoining the conference. The conference will continue its session to-day.

The eleventh session of the Primitive Methodist Bazaar Conference was opened at the corner of the Park and Broadway, Brooklyn. The morning session was occupied with routine business. In the afternoon a meeting for holiness was held, and addresses were made by the Rev. John Parker, Mrs. Phoebe Palmer, J. Palmer and others, and in the evening three candidates for the ministry were ordained. They were the Rev. Messrs. James, Hancock and Fongbue. The afternoon session was devoted to the reading of addresses. W. H. Yarrow, Charles Spurr, D. Savage and C. Jones.

BOSTON, April 4.—The session of the New-England Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church

THE INDIAN TROUBLES.

SANTA FE, N. M., April 4.—Colonel Forsythe reports that he has lost the trail of the Indians in the Santa Fe and Chuska Mountains. Mexican advisors report that the marauding band had been driven from Sonora into Arizona, but before crossing the line the savages killed twenty-two persons south of the Mexican boundary.

Nothing has yet been heard from Captain Black's command.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—A telegram received at the War Department and forwarded to the Indian Office today reports that Chief Spinoche and the Creek Indians who recently left their reservation have gone into camp with the Couchaches thirty miles west of the San and Red River reservation. The Indians are reported to have refused a council with the settlers to-morrow, and if the latter refuse to return to their reservation and are supplied with arms and cartridges, a battle will be fought. It is believed that Major Blair has directed Major Bates, of the 10th Infantry, to call on the Couchaches and offer them peace and food for their troops, if necessary.

GUARDING AGAINST EPIDEMIC.

JACKSON, Miss., April 4.—The Sanitary Council of the Mississippi Valley to-day adopted resolutions declaring that the National Board of Health is the only body which possesses the confidence of the States of the valley, asking that the President place the \$100,000 epidemic fund in the hands of the National Board for distribution in case it is needed, and recommending that the Government establish a system of inspection, isolation, disinfection and quarantine heretofore adopted by the National Board of health.

THE YALE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

NEW-HAVEN, April 4.—The largest meeting the Yale Athletic Association ever held assembled last evening for the election of officers. S. A. Booth, '84, Boston, Conn., was chosen president; W. H. Lyon, '88, S. S. 4, Brooklyn, N. Y. vice-president; G. E. Vincent, '85, New-Haven, secretary and treasurer. Hamell, '84, was appointed delegate to Mott Haven. The question of membership was discussed, and a resolution was adopted empowering a committee, composed of President Booth of Thompson, '83, to secure a trainer during the spring term to raise as much money as may be thought advisable.

THE MALLEY INSURANCE CASES.

NEW-HAVEN, April 4.—The insurance cases of Edward Malley & Co., were begun to-day. There are

one case in all, and it was agreed by counsel that it only be tried as a test case. The dry-goods store was burned February 28, 1892, and the aggregate amount of insurance was \$127,000. The Malley's claim for the loss was \$127,000. George B. Gross, of the firm of Proctor, Gross & McGilver, testified that the stock was worth from \$140,000 to \$150,000, and that his firm offered to buy the Malley's out previously at actual cost.

KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION OF GAS.

BALTIMORE, April 4.—An explosion of gas occurred this morning in a sewer which damaged the streets and sewer \$8,000 to \$10,000. Houses in the neighborhood were injured, several of them having their chimneys cracked and broken by the concussion. The explosion was caused by a boy throwing a lighted match to the man-hole of the sewer. This afternoon, while removing some of the debris, the bodies of Charles A. Carthy and Andrew Hittenau, ages five and six, were found in the sewer. They were playing in the street at the time of the explosion.

PRIZES AT THE DOG SHOW.

PITTSBURG, April 4.—This is the second day of the International Bred Show. The attendance is large. The following are the black first prize winners in Pointer bitches, Lady Bomp, A. H. Moore, of Philadelphia; Pointer bitches, Countess Bang, A. H. Moore, Philadelphia; Black Field Spaniels, Hornell Louana, Hornell Spaniel Club, New-York; Black Spaniel dogs or bitches, Hornell Dandy, Hornell Spaniel Club, New-York.

EXPLOSION IN THE PALACE HOTEL.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—An explosion of gas occurred in the cellar of the Palace Hotel heretofore. The Fire Department and Underwriters' Fund ran quickly on hand, when a second explosion of gas in the cellar blew out the sidewalk light and severely burned several members of the patrol. It is feared the injuries of two will prove fatal. The damage to the property was light.

THE CODE OF HONOR IN MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, April 4.—Colonel John Cardwell, of the city of Austin, Texas, *Statesman*, published a circular paper yesterday, in which he calls Major Chenois, a member of the Lower House of the Legislature, to account for some criticisms he made on Mr. Cardwell's conduct in relation to railroads, and denounces him as a deliberate liar and coward. A duel is apprehended.

KILLED IN A PRIZE-FIGHT.

PITTSBURGH, April 3.—A Dubois, Penn., dispatch says: In a prize-fight last evening between Mike McLaughlin and Martin Lutzke, miners, six rounds were fought. In the last round both men exhausted their strength, breaking his neck in the fall, dying instantaneously.

THE MEETING OF AN ARMY SOCIETY.

CHICAGO, April 4.—General Sheridan has issued a circular changing the date for the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland at Cincinnati, October 24 and 25.

By a new telephone invention a whisper can be heard at a distance of 750 miles, but that is nothing; a farmer's wife goes to the door and faintly wishes "Come to dinner," it can be heard across a ten-acre field without a telephone.

It ain't right for a white man to tell a nigger dar'n no "ternal punishment. It may be all right for a nigger to believe what do white men say, but it's apt ter put his body for a nighly inconvenience. Telling up in this way a justice sh be worse'n a onc— (Arkansas Traveller).